# REASONABLE REQUEST FROM A PHAR-MACIST.

Dr. -

Dear Sir: As your Medical Journals are at present leading in a fight for standard ethical preparations as against nostrums, perhaps you will kindly forgive me for assisting in a good work.

A few days ago I had one of your prescriptions for Papine, Battle & Co. Now these advertising fakirs claim that their preparation contains all of the good elements of opium with the bad ones left out, and their dose is one teaspoonful.

Our tincture of opium deodorated of the pharmacopeia is an extract of opium containing morphine, codeine and narceine, with the obnoxious alkaloids thebaine, papaverine and narcotine eliminated. To make a preparation from this containing an equivalent of one grain of opium to a teaspoonful would take say

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and this would be exactly equal to the advertised papine in every respect.

So far papine is possibly a good preparation, but look at the sequel. Papine costs 71 cents per 8 ounce bottle, or per pint \$1.42. Any druggist can make up the other for per pint 45 cents, or a difference in favor of the druggist in Los Angeles against the advertiser in St. Louis of about \$1, or in other words he gets over three times what the goods are worth.

The doctor is a busy man and the quack agents are glib tongued, and it seems so much easier to write one word than perhaps half a dozen; but ask yourself, is it right to turn a druggist into a mere dumper of ready-made nostrums from one bottle to another?

Some of their preparations undoubtedly are good, but one remark will apply to all: they are extrava-gantly priced and in about all cases the druggist has the remedies on his shelves ready for mixing according to the doctor's orders, if he but take the time and trouble to say what he requires.

Of course, I keep papine and other things like it in stock, and always dispense it when prescribed, but it is needless to say I would rather not.

With best regards and wishes and apologies for With best regards and tiring you out, I am,
Yours very respectfully,
(Sig.) ROBERT FULTON.

#### COUNCIL ON PHARMACY AND CHEMISTRY, ADDITIONS TO NEW AND NON-OFFICIAL REMEDIES.

The following articles have been added to the list of new and non-official remedies approved by the Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry, which was published in the Journal August 1:

Beta-Eucaine Lactate (Schering & Glatz). Capsules Glycerophosphates Comp. (Mulford Co.). Iodalbin (Parke, Davis & Co.). Iodalbin Capsules (Parke, Davis & Co.).

### ERRATUM.

To the Editor of the State Journal:

In the August number, on page 269, I am quoted as saying "that operations done without a general anesthetic." I did say "operations done under a general anesthetic." Kindly make the correction and oblige.

Respectfully yours, KASPAR PISCHEL.

#### CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS, TO AUGUST 15, 1908, noted since the Register and Directory went to press.

C. E. Turner, from Vallejo, Cal., to Big Pine, Cal. A. H. White, from Crockett, Cal., to 2667 Mission San Francisco.

Alfred W. Perry, from 1914 Sutter, to 1151 Polk San Francisco.

Maria Congdon, from 315 Pico st., Los Angeles,

Cal., to 1153 So. Grand ave., Los Angeles. Edward Selzer, from 542 Kearny st., to 115 W.

Santa Clara st., San Jose, Cal.
Verlin C. Thomas, from 1871 Sutter, to Westbank

Bldg., San Francisco.

P. L. Rookledge, from San Luis Obispo, Cal., to Cambria, Cal.

Adelaide Brown, from 3146 Clay st., to 2520 Sac-

ramento st., San Francisco.

Guy C. Reily, from Grant Bldg., Los Angeles, to Broadway Central Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal.

Barton Dozier, from Grant Bldg., Los Angeles, to 952 Bonnie Brae, Los Angeles, Cal.

C. V. Fisher, from Antioch, Cal., to Klamath Falls, Ore.

C. S. G. Nagel, from S. W. cor. Sutter and Polk sts., to Hastings Bldg., 162 Post st., San Francisco.

Henry D'Arcy Power, from 1065 Sutter st., to Butler Bldg., 135 Stockton st.

Annie W. Nixon, from 936 Gratton st., Los Angeles to 1624 Shotto st. Los Angeles Col.

geles, to 1624 Shatto st., Los Angeles, Cal.

Ross A. Harris, from Merchants' Trust Bldg., Los Angeles, to 301 Broadway Central Bldg, Los Angeles.

Rilla G. Hay, from 111 Potomac Bldg., Los Ange-

les, to 3906 Sunset Block, Los Angeles, Cal.

Pat. S. Dougherty, from 217 So. Broadway, Los
Angeles, to 318 Wright & Callender Bldg., Los An-

C. W. Anderson, from H. W. Hellman Bldg., to

226 Bradbury Bldg, Los Angeles.

Harris Garcelon, from Douglas Bldg., Los Angeles, to 612 Pacific Electric Bldg., Los Angeles.

Phillip August Bill, from Delbert Blk., to 585

California st., San Francisco.

Seymour Ball, from Long Beach, Cal., to Elsi-

nore, Cal. Wm. Banks, from Stirling City, Cal., to 1498 9th

ave., San Francisco.

W. M. Wightman, from Angel Island, Cal., to Callao, Peru

Alfred L. Draper, from 2400 Pacific ave., to 2502

Washington st., San Francisco.
A. R. Fritschi, from 1458 Sutter st., to Butler

Bldg., San Francisco.

H. B. A. Kugeler, from 2510 Washington, to 2224

Baker st., San Francisco.

D. Lustig, from 2502 Washington st., to 146

Grant ave., San Francisco.
Walton Preston, from 1823 Fillmore st., to 906

Hayes st., San Francisco.

Rufus L. Rigdon, from 2101 Webster st., to Chronicle Bldg., San Francisco.

Adolph B. Baer, from 3590 Sacramento st., to

N. W. cor. Polk and Sutter sts., San Francisco.

### Deaths.

Santa Cruz Co.-James F. Christal. Los Angeles Co.—Roy F. Clark.
Humboldt Co.—Wm. M. Michael.
San Francisco Co.—Alfred McLaughlin.
Sonoma Co.—Samuel S. Boyle.

## LICENSES REVOKED.

At the last meeting of the State Board of Medical Examiners, the licenses of B. B. Lee and J. C. Anthony, to practice medicine in California, were revoked.